

November 15, 2019

Ms. Sheila Poisson, Assistant Finance Director City of Torrance 3031 Torrance Boulevard Torrance, CA 90503

Dear Ms. Poisson:

Subject: Amended Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (o) (1) (E), the City of Torrance Successor Agency (Agency) submitted an Amended Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for the period January 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020 (Amended ROPS 19-20B) to the California Department of Finance (Finance) on September 24, 2019. Finance has completed its review of the Amended ROPS 19-20B.

Based on a sample of line items reviewed and application of the law, Finance has made the following determinations:

Item Nos. 50 and 51 – 2018 Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds for the Downtown and Industrial Redevelopment Projects for the requested reduction in Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) is not eligible for an Amended ROPS. Specifically, the Agency requested the following adjustments:

Adjustments for Item Nos. 50 and 51 for the ROPS 19-20B period

Item No.		Adjustment	Requested Adjustment to Other Funds	Finance Adjustment to RPTTF	Finance Adjustment to Other Funds
50	79,975	(41,656)	41,656	41,656	(41,656)
51	250,825	(137,705)	137,705	137,705	(137,705)
Total	330,800	(179,361)	179,361	179,361	(179,361)

On October 1, 2018, the Agency refunded its prior bonds, which resulted in the March 1, 2020 payments being decreased by \$41,656 and \$137,705 for Item Nos. 50 and 51, respectively. As a result, the Agency reclassified \$41,656 and \$137,705 from RPTTF to Other Funds to show the availability of the funds for future obligations. To be eligible to request an amendment to the ROPS under HSC section 34177 (o) (1) (E), the request must be to make a necessary payment on an approved enforceable obligation in the second half of the ROPS period. Since this request is not necessary for the payment of these items, the requested adjustments are not approved.

Except for the adjustments denied, Finance is not objecting to the remaining adjustments listed on your Amended ROPS 19-20B.

The Agency's amended maximum approved RPTTF distribution for the ROPS 19-20B period is \$1,022,019 as summarized in the Approved RPTTF Distribution table (See Attachment).

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Please refer to the ROPS 19-20B schedule used to calculate the total RPTTF approved for distribution:

http://dof.ca.gov/Programs/Redevelopment/ROPS/

This is Finance's determination related to the funding of enforceable obligations reported on your Amended ROPS 19-20B. Please note there is not a Meet and Confer option for the Amended ROPS process, so Finance's determination is final. This determination is effective for this time period only and should not be conclusively relied upon for future ROPS periods. All items listed on a future ROPS are subject to review and may be denied even if it was not denied on this Amended ROPS or a preceding ROPS. The only exception is for items that have received a Final and Conclusive determination from Finance pursuant to HSC section 34177.5 (i). Finance's review of Final and Conclusive items is limited to confirming the scheduled payments as required by the obligation.

The amount available from the RPTTF is the same as the amount of property tax increment available prior to the enactment of the redevelopment dissolution statutes. Therefore, as a practical matter, the ability to fund the items on the ROPS with property tax is limited to the amount of funding available to the Agency in the RPTTF.

Please direct inquiries to Joshua Mortimer, Supervisor, or Michael Barr, Lead Analyst, at (916) 322-2985.

Sincerely,

JENNIFER WHITAKER
Program Budget Manager

cc: Ms. Wendy Wu, Accountant, City of Torrance

Cherry S. McConnick

Ms. Kristina Burns, Manager, Department of Auditor-Controller, Los Angeles County

Attachment

Approved RPTTF Distribution January 2020 through June 2020	
Authorized RPTTF on ROPS 19-20B	\$ 659,701
Authorized Administrative RPTTF on ROPS 19-20B	125,000
Total Authorized RPTTF on ROPS 19-20B	784,701
Total Requested 19-20B RPTTF Adjustments Finance RPTTF Adjustments	57,957
Item No. 50	41,656
Item No. 51	137,705
Authorized 19-20B RPTTF Adjustments	237,318
Total Amended ROPS 19-20B RPTTF approved for distribution	1,022,019